

The Taxon *Trielis* (Hym. Scoliidae) and its Type

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Every one has overlooked the fact that Saussure founded the taxon *Trielis* in the year 1863 (*Ann. Soc. Ent. France* (4)3: 18), which antedated the *Catalogus Specierum Generis Scolia* of de Saussure and Sichel by one year. It is in the latter work that every one hitherto has believed that *Trielis* was established (see p. 14, p. 140).

The only species that Saussure mentioned in connection with *Trielis*, when he founded it, was *Elis xantiana* Sauss., 1863 from Lower California, which, therefore, is the type-species by monotypy. *Elis xantiana* is ranked as a subspecies of *Campsoscolia octomaculata* Say (Bradley, 1950, *Eos*, tomo extraord. p. 434).

The name *Trielis* must replace the name *Campsoscolia* Betrem, because their type-species, though different, both belong to the same taxon. *Trielis* will stand as a valid genus, the usual status given it in recent years.

Ashmead in 1903 designated the Australian species *Elis consanguinea* Saussure, 1854, to be type of *Trielis* Saussure and Sichel, 1864, but since the latter taxon was merely an extension of *Trielis* Sauss., 1863, and not a homonym of it, his action is without nomenclatural significance. As two different taxa are involved, one now standing without a name, it is possible to use *consanguinea* for type of the latter, and rename it, which I now proceed to do.

TRIELIS (AUSTRALELIS, subg. n.).

Type-species: *Elis consanguinea* Sauss., 1853 = *Trielis (Australis) consanguinea* (Sauss., 1854) Ashmead, 1903.

For the description of this subgenus, I refer to the description of *Trielis* given by myself in 1928 (*Treubia* IX, suppl. p. 107).

This taxon will find status as a subgenus of *Trielis* Sauss.

Saussure first mentioned the taxa *Triscolia* and *Discolia* in the same 1863 paper. These taxa will be treated subsequently in a joint paper by Bradley and Betrem.

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